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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

 $1. \hspace{1.5cm} \hbox{An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or} \\$

additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR

 $1.312. \ To \ ensure \ consideration \ of \ such \ an \ amendment, it \ MUST \ be \ submitted \ no \ later \ than \ the$

payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with

Thomas R. Lampe on 06/09/2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

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Claim 27 is canceled.

Claims 3, 6, 7, 9-14, and 26 are allowed.

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: see the board

decision mailed on 04/01/2010.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the

payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for

Allowance."

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Tung Vo whose telephone number is 571-272-7340. The

examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Wednesday. Friday.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mehrdad Dastouri can be reached on 571-272-7418. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Tung Vo/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2621